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DX NOTES

THESE notes bring news about stations in other countries, programmes information and details of special broadcasts for New Zealand listeners. They are supplied by the New Zealand Radio DX League, 212 Earn Street, Invercargill, from which turther information can be obtained.



Short Wave

THE transmissions from Hilversum, Holland have in recent weeks been received on additional frequencies, when an experimental transmitter had been used to test out new frequencies. The English programme at 9.0 p.m. for New Zealand is on 25620, 21480 and 17775 kc., and at 9.45 p.m., when the transmission is switched to Dutch the additional frequency of 21715 kc. is added. At midnight it is on 21565 kc, and 2.30 p.m. the additional frequency is 9715 kc.

Switzerland: The recently announced new gospel broadcaster has now been heard with transmissions in French and English. The station broadcasts on 11767 kc, 25 metres. Programmes in English from 9.0 to 9.45 a.m., and 8.0 to 8.15 a.m. in French. The station is the International Evangelistic station, of the Protestant International, broadcasts from Berne, and will eventually operate in 21 languages.

Columbia: A strong signal on 6010 kc. 49 metres, has been identified as "La Voz Amiga" broadcasting from Pereiera in Columbia. The frequency of 6010 kc. has not been used by a Colombian for many years, when HJFK was frequently heard on this frequency. This station appears to have begun transmission again after a long silence, and its programme is typical of Latin American stations from 11.0 p.m. onwards, with frequent commercials and light music being presented.

Italy: The summer transmissions from Rome for the Pacific area include the use of English from 9.0 to 9.40 p.m., when the station can be tuned on 21560, 17800 and 15320 kc., in the 13, 16 and 19-metre bands. The programme includes news at 9.0 p.m. and other features—at 9.15 p.m. Tuesday, Music from Italy; Wednesday, Popular Music; and on Saturday a musical request programme. The transmission is in Italian from 6.50 to 7.50 p.m., when the same frequencies are used with the addition of 11900 kc. in the 25-metre band.

United States: The best known of America's news commentators, Raymond Swing, is now broadcasting on the Voice of America from Monday to Friday in three transmissions. Raymond Swing has been connected with broadcasting for many years. As chief political commentator for the Voice of America, he began in 1950 to broadcast from VOA and from 1952 was associated with Edward R. Murrow, at the Columbia Broadcasting System in an editorial capacity. After 18 years as a foreign correspondent Raymond Swing was with the NBC from 1935. In that year he originated the well-known BBC commentary from New York, which he carried for 11 years. Raymond Swing is heard at 11.15 a.m., 12.15 and 3.15 p.m. when broadcasts are heard in the 13, 16 and 19-metre bands.